



Dear Local Officials and Interested Parties,

Subject: Land and Water Conservation Fund Program  
Statewide Technical Assistance Workshops  
Application Deadline **March 3, 2008**

The Department is pleased to announce the application deadline for the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program (LWCF). The LWCF program provides matching grants for acquisition or development of lands and facilities that provide or support public outdoor recreation. Local units of government, including cities, counties, and districts that are authorized to acquire, develop, operate and maintain park and recreation areas are eligible to apply.

As of the date of this letter, the amount of the State's apportionment for this year is still unknown. Once the Department is informed of its apportionment, it will post the information on its website immediately upon notification.

Regardless of the timing of funding approval notification, applications must be postmarked or delivered to the Department at the address below no later than **March 3, 2008**.

Last year the Department received 60 applications totaling \$14.6 million in requests with \$1.27 million available. The number of applications recommended to the National Park Service was 13 (6 Northern California and 7 Southern California). The range of the grants was \$30,000 to \$210,000.

**Important Note:** the LWCF procedural guide has been updated. For this round of applications, please use the revised guide with the notation, "**Revised September 2007**." The format of the guide has changed along with updated information; however, the criteria section has not changed.

The Procedural guide dated **September 2007** with application forms and program information is available on our web page at <http://www.parks.ca.gov/grants>. You may also request a guide by writing to the Department at the address below:

California Department of Parks and Recreation  
Office of Grants and Local Services  
P.O. Box 942896  
Sacramento, California 94296-0001

Applications should be mailed/shipped to the above address, or hand delivered to our street address:

California Department of Parks and Recreation  
Office of Grants and Local Services  
1416 Ninth Street, Room 918  
Sacramento, California 95814

In addition, enclosed is a schedule of LWCF Technical Assistance workshops our office will be conducting. The schedule lists dates, times, and locations of the workshops. If you have any questions about the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program, please call us at (916) 653-7423 or email at [localservices@parks.ca.gov](mailto:localservices@parks.ca.gov). Please RSVP to these workshops by contacting Joshua Brady at (916) 651-8459 or [jbrady@parks.ca.gov](mailto:jbrady@parks.ca.gov) no later than October 9, 2007.

Sincerely,

Patti Keating, Chief  
Office of Grants and Local Services

cc: OGALS Staff

Enclosure